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FILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(b)

This is a request for filing for a

☐ continuation ☐ divisional ☒ continuation-in-part (CIP)

application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 10/630,120, filed on July 30, 2003, which is a continuation-in part of Serial No. 10/440,071, filed on May 15, 2003, which is a continuation-in-part of Serial No. 09/908,309, filed on July 17, 2001, which issued on July 29, 2003, as U.S. Patent No. 6,600,417, which is a continuation of prior application Serial No. 09/588,863, filed on June 6, 2000, which issued on September 11, 2001, as U.S. Patent No. 6,288,643, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Applications No. 60/137,962, filed on June 7, 1999, U.S. Application No. 60/180,771, filed on February 7, 2000, and U.S. Application No. 60/194,082, filed on March 27, 2000, by:

George H. Lerg entitled:

FIREARM SHOT HELMET DETECTION SYSTEM AND METHOD OF USE

The entire disclosure of the pending prior application Serial No. 10/630,120 is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation-in-part application and is hereby incorporated by reference.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING
(37 C.F.R. §1.10)

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I. APPLICATION ELEMENTS ENCLOSED

44 Page(s) of Written Description
3 Page(s) of Claims
1 Page(s) of Abstract
8 Sheet(s) of Drawings ☒ formal ☐ informal
 _____ Page(s) of ☐ Declaration or ☐ Declaration and Power of Attorney
 ☐ Copy from prior application [37 CFR §1.63(d)]
 ☐ Newly executed
 _____ Other:

- ☐ Assignment papers (cover sheet and documents(s))
☐ An Information Disclosure Statement, PTO 1449, ☐ with copies of cited items.
☐ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35
☐ Preliminary Amendment

II. FEE CALCULATION

☒ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.

BASIC FILING FEE:						\$770.00
Total Claims	18	-	20	=	0	x \$18.00 \$0.00
Independent Claims	2	-	3	=	0	x \$84.00 \$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims	\$280.00	(if applicable)			<input type="checkbox"/>	\$0.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS						\$770.00
Reduction by ½ for Filing by Small Entity.						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$385.00
Misc. Filing Fees (Recordation of Assignment)						\$0.00
Petition to Make Special						\$0.00
TOTAL FEES DUE HEREWITH						\$385.00

III. PRIORITY - 35 USC § 119

- ☒ Priority of applications Serial No. 60/137,962, filed on June 7, 1999, in U.S.; 60/180,771, filed on February 7, 2000, in U.S.; and 60/194,082, filed on March 27, 2000, in U.S. is claimed under 35 USC § 119
- ☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior U.S. application Serial No. _____ on _____.
- ☐ The certified copy will follow.

IV. AMENDMENTS

- ☐ Cancel in this application original Claims _____ before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes if no new claims are added in a preliminary amendment.)
- ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by Amendment must be numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

V. RELATE BACK - 35 USC § 120

- ☒ Relate back information included in preliminary amendment or specification.
- ☐ Please amend the specification as follows:
- ☒ With respect to the prior co-pending U.S. application from which this application claims benefit under 35 USC § 120, the inventor(s) in this application is (are) [37 CFR 1.53(b)(1)]:
 - ☒ the same.
 - ☐ less than those named in the prior application and it is requested that the following inventor(s) identified above for the prior application be deleted [see 37 CFR §§1.33(b) AND 1.63(d)(2)]:

VI. METHOD OF PAYMENT OF FEES

- ☐ Attached is a check in the amount of \$0.00.
- ☐ Charge Procopio, Cory, Hargreaves & Savitch's Deposit Account No. 50-2075 in the amount of \$_____.
- ☒ Not attached. No filing fee is submitted. [This and the surcharge required by 37 CFR § 1.16(e) can be paid subsequently.]

VII. AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit Procopio, Cory, Hargreaves & Savitch's Deposit Account No. **50-2075** for any over payment of fees and to charge the following additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. **50-2075**:

- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.16 (Filing fees and excess claims fees)
- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.17 (Application processing fees)
- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.21 (Assignment recordation fees)

VIII. POWER OF ATTORNEY & CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

- ☐ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- ☐ The power does not appear in the original papers, but was filed on _____ in prior application Serial No. _____.
- ☐ A new power has been executed and is attached.

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IX. MAINTENANCE OF CO-PENDENCY OF PRIOR APPLICATION

- ☐ A petition, fee and response has been filed to extend the term in the pending **prior** application until _____. A copy of the petition for extension of time in the **prior** application is attached.
- ☐ A conditional petition for extension of time is being filed in the pending **prior** application. A copy of the conditional petition for extension of time in the **prior** application is attached.

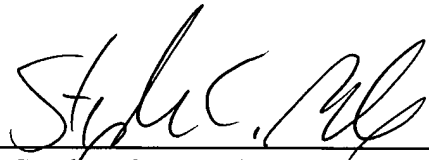
X. ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION

- ☐ Please abandon the prior application at a time while the prior application is pending or when the petition for extension of time or to revive in that application is granted and when this application is granted a filing date so as to make this application co-pending with said prior application. At the same time, please add the words "now abandoned" to the amendment of the specification set forth in Item V above.

Respectfully submitted,

PROCOPIO, CORY HARGREAVES
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Dated: November 10, 2003

By: 
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